National Service in Arkansas

Year in Review



MEETING NEEDS IN ARKANSAS

Last year more than 3,900 Americans of all ages and backgrounds met local needs, strengthened communities, and expanded economic opportunity through national service in Arkansas. The Corporation for National and Community Service (CNCS) invested more than \$11.0 million in federal funding to support cost-effective community solutions, working hand in hand with local partners to empower citizens to solve problems. AmeriCorps members and Senior Corps volunteers are preparing today's students for tomorrow's jobs, reducing crime and reviving cities, connecting veterans to services, fighting the opioid epidemic, helping seniors live independently, and rebuilding communities after disasters.

National service participants served at more than 300 locations across Arkansas, including schools, food banks, homeless shelters, health clinics, youth centers, veterans' facilities, and other nonprofit and faith-based organizations. Through a unique public-private partnership, CNCS, its grantees, and project sponsors generated more than \$5.9 million in outside resources from businesses, foundations, public agencies, and other sources in Arkansas in the last year. This local support strengthened community impact and increased the return on taxpayer dollars.

AMERICORPS



Last year, more than 700 AmeriCorps members met pressing local needs across Arkansas, making a lasting impact in communities while gaining valuable skills and experience to advance their careers. AmeriCorps members serve in one of three programs:

- AmeriCorps State & National engages men and women in intensive service at thousands of locations across the country through nonprofits, schools, public agencies, tribes, and community and faith-based groups. Most AmeriCorps grant funding goes to the Arkansas Service Commission, the Governor-appointed State Service Commission, which in turn awards grants to organizations to respond to local needs.
- AmeriCorps VISTA (Volunteers In Service To America)
 taps the skills, talents, and passion of Americans of all
 ages to support community efforts to overcome poverty.
- AmeriCorps NCCC (National Civilian Community Corps)
 is a full-time, team-based residential program for 18-24
 year-olds. Members develop leadership skills by
 contributing to public safety, environment, and disaster
 projects. FEMA Corps, a unit of NCCC, focuses solely on
 disaster preparedness, response, and recovery.

In exchange for their service, AmeriCorps members earn a Segal AmeriCorps Education Award that can be used to pay for trade school, college, or graduate school; or to pay back qualified student loans. Since 1994, more than 9,700 Arkansas residents have served approximately 16 million hours and earned education awards totaling more than \$32.0 million.

SENIOR CORPS



Senior Corps taps the skills, talents, and experience of Americans age 55 and over to meet a wide range of community challenges. Last year, more than 3,200 Arkansas seniors met critical community needs while contributing to their own health and well-being through one of three Senior Corps programs:

- Foster Grandparents serve one-on-one as tutors and mentors to young people with exceptional needs.
- Senior Companions help seniors and other adults maintain independence in their own homes.
- RSVP volunteers conduct safety patrols, renovate homes, protect the environment, tutor and mentor youth, respond to natural disasters, and provide other services.

Last year, Foster Grandparents tutored and mentored 2,670 young people, Senior Companions helped 270 seniors live independently, and RSVP volunteers strengthened the impact of 100 organizations across Arkansas.

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AmeriCorps	Projects	Service Locations	Completed Participants	Education Scholarships	Federal Funding
AmeriCorps Affiliate AmeriCorps National AmeriCorps NCCC	1 15 7	2 29 7	2 118 74	\$11,630 \$534,098	\$1,082,339 -
AmeriCorps State AmeriCorps VISTA Federal Partnerships	13 19 6	97 27 6	359 148 14	\$1,154,975 \$681,671 \$81,170	\$1,730,197 \$1,918,791 -
AMERICORPS TOTAL	61	168	715	\$2,463,544	\$4,731,326
Senior Corps	Projects	Service Locations	Completed Participants	Education Scholarships	Federal Funding
Foster Grandparent Program RSVP Senior Companion Program	7 4 2	112 100 9	449 2,621 145	- - -	\$1,954,821 \$611,737 \$745,021
SENIOR CORPS TOTAL	13	221	3,215	-	\$3,311,579
Other Funding	Projects	Service Locations	Completed Participants	Education Scholarships	Federal Funding
State Commission Investment Funds State Commission Operations Support	1 1	- -	- -	- -	\$243,460 \$265,000
OTHER FUNDING TOTAL	2	-	-	-	\$508,460
PROGRAM TOTALS	76	389	3,930	\$2,463,544	\$8,551,366
TOTAL CNCS FUNDING (including Educa TOTAL LOCAL PROJECT SUPPORT (Non-	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	1			\$11,014,910 \$5,914,765
TOTAL CNCS FUNDING + TOTAL LOCAL PI	ROJECT SUPPORT				\$16,929,675

National service programs continue to improve lives and communities in Arkansas, with 357 AmeriCorps member and 2,781 Senior Corps volunteers currently serving.

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- Arkansas. The award can be used in any state to pay for college, graduate school, vocational training, or to pay back student loans.

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- 7. Total local project support reflects non-CNCS cash and in-kind resources that CNCS grantees committed to raise in support of their completed grants. As part of its public-private partnership approach, CNCS grantees leverage additional resources to strengthen community impact and increase the return on the federal investment.
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City	Project Name Sponsor Organization	Program Type	Service Comp Locations Parti	oleted cipants	Education Scholarships	Federal Funding	Current Participants
Adona	Petit Jean State Park (January 5 - February 14, 2018) Arkansas State Parks - Petit Jean State Park	AmeriCorps NCCC	1	11	-	-	-
Avilla	Arkansas 4-H Center (November 9 - December 19, 2018) The Board of Trustees of the University of Arkansas	AmeriCorps NCCC	1	10	-	-	-
Batesville	Economic Development Outreach Economic Development Administration	AmeriCorps VISTA	-	-	-	-	1
Blytheville	Rural IMPACT Project Community Action Partnership	AmeriCorps VISTA	1	1	\$5,815	\$16,654	-
El Dorado	PRIDE Youth Programs Delta Regional Authority	Federal Partnerships	1	2	\$11,630	-	-
Fayetteville	Apple Seeds, Inc. (April 7 - July 7, 2018) Apple Seeds, Inc.	AmeriCorps NCCC	1	10	-	-	-
Fayetteville	Apples in the Classroom Apple Seeds, Inc.	AmeriCorps VISTA	1	3	\$17,445	\$49,962	3
Fayetteville	Montana Energy Corps National Center for Appropriate Technology	AmeriCorps State	-	-	-	-	1
Fayetteville	Native Food Sovereignty Fellows University of Arkansas	AmeriCorps VISTA	-	-	-	-	1
Fayetteville	NCAT - Southeast FoodCorps, Inc.	AmeriCorps National	10	12	\$69,885	\$124,101	8
Fayetteville	Tri Cycle Farms (April 7 - July 7, 2018) Tri Cycle Farms, Inc.	AmeriCorps NCCC	2	11	-	-	-
Fayetteville	Tri Cycle Farms Inc. Tri Cycle Farms Inc.	AmeriCorps VISTA	1	7	\$40,915	\$115,520	3
Fayetteville	Volunteer Action Center and Full Circle program development Center for Community Engagement at University of Arkansas	AmeriCorps VISTA	1	2	\$11,630	\$33,308	2
Fort Smith	Economic Development Outreach Economic Development Administration	AmeriCorps VISTA	1	1	\$5,920	\$16,125	-
Fort Smith	University of Arkansas Fort Smith Jumpstart for Young Children, Inc.	AmeriCorps National	1	5	\$6,265	\$10,580	13
Greenville	Lake Chicot State Park (November 9 - December 19, 2018) Lake Chicot State Park	AmeriCorps NCCC	1	10	-	-	-
Harrison	CL Environmental Stewards The Corps Network	AmeriCorps National	1	1	\$1,538	\$195	1
Harrison	Economic Development Outreach Economic Development Administration	AmeriCorps VISTA	1	1	\$5,920	\$16,125	-
Harrison	North Arkansas Partnership for Health Education North Arkansas Partnership for Health Education	AmeriCorps VISTA	3	33	\$146,904	\$413,995	12
Harrison	SCA AR Student Conservation Association, Inc.	AmeriCorps National	1	1	\$2,960	\$380	4
Hot Springs	Affilate Stewards Conservation Legacy	AmeriCorps Affiliate	1	1	\$5,815	-	-
Hot Springs	CL Environmental Stewards The Corps Network	AmeriCorps National	1	3	\$6,646	\$843	1
Jonesboro	City of Jonesboro City of Jonesboro	AmeriCorps VISTA	1	5	\$29,285	\$82,212	-



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Jonesboro	Economic Development Outreach Economic Development Administration	AmeriCorps VISTA	1 1	\$5,920	\$16,125	1
Jonesboro	Hispanic Community Services, Inc. Delta Regional Authority	Federal Partnerships	1 3	\$17,445	-	-
Jonesboro	HISPANIC COMMUNITY SERVICES, INC. HISPANIC COMMUNITY SERVICES, INC.	AmeriCorps VISTA	1 4	\$14,136	\$40,133	3
Jonesboro	Legal Aid of Arkansas (Elder JAC) Equal Justice Works	AmeriCorps National	1 3	\$8,219	\$19,404	-
Jonesboro	Legal Aid VISTA Legal Aid of Arkansas, Inc	AmeriCorps VISTA	2 5	\$29,565	\$82,262	2
Jonesboro	NEA CARES Crowley's Ridge Development Council, Inc.	AmeriCorps VISTA	1 3	\$17,550	\$49,433	-
Little Rock	Access to Healthy Foods, AR Children's Research Institute Arkansas Children's Hospital Research Institute	AmeriCorps VISTA	1 2	\$11,630	\$33,308	1
Little Rock	Affilate Stewards Conservation Legacy	AmeriCorps Affiliate	1 1	\$5,815	-	-
Little Rock	Alternative Classroom Experience/Summer Incentive Program Kiwanis Activities, Inc.	AmeriCorps State	1 25	\$80,241	\$172,780	12
Little Rock	American Red Cross Arkansas Region Points of Light Foundation	AmeriCorps National	1 2	\$11,630	\$25,614	-
Little Rock	Anti-Hunger and Opportunity Corps Hunger Free America	AmeriCorps VISTA	1 1	\$5,815	\$16,654	-
Little Rock	AR Kids Read AR Kids Read	AmeriCorps VISTA	2 12	\$51,952	\$144,767	2
Little Rock	Arkansas Business Unit The Nature Conservancy	AmeriCorps National		-	-	1
Little Rock	Arkansas Dream Center Equal Heart	AmeriCorps National	1 20	\$36,536	\$81,163	-
Little Rock	Arkansas GardenCorps Arkansas Children's Hospital Research Institute	AmeriCorps State	14 18	\$76,995	\$182,960	-
Little Rock	Arkansas Hunger Relief Alliance Delta Regional Authority	Federal Partnerships	1 4	\$23,100	-	-
Little Rock	Arkansas Hunger Relief Alliance Share Our Strength	AmeriCorps National	1 2	\$11,630	\$13,440	2
Little Rock	Arkansas Public Policy Panel Arkansas Public Policy Panel	AmeriCorps VISTA	1 6	\$34,995	\$99,395	4
Little Rock	Arkansas Reads Arkansas Literacy Councils, Inc.	AmeriCorps State	10 27	\$75,878	\$179,196	17
Little Rock	Better Community Developmant Better Community Developmant	AmeriCorps VISTA		-	-	5
Little Rock	Boys and Girls Club of Central Arkansas II Boys and Girls Club of Central Arkansas	AmeriCorps State	6 22	\$55,633	\$132,724	9
Little Rock	Center for Arkansas Legal Services Equal Justice Works	AmeriCorps National	1 3	\$8,276	\$17,779	1
Little Rock	City of Little Rock City of Little Rock	AmeriCorps State	1 52	\$95,117	\$225,763	13



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Little Rock	City Year Little Rock - NATL City Year, Inc.	AmeriCorps National	3 28	\$151,663	\$327,344	21
Little Rock	City Year Little Rock - STA City Year, Inc.	AmeriCorps National	3 32	\$183,960	\$387,823	23
Little Rock	Educating, Equipping, and Empowering Homeless Families in AR Our House, Inc	AmeriCorps VISTA	1 42	\$134,845	\$381,148	13
Little Rock	Girl Scouts Diamonds of Arkansas, Oklahoma and Texas Girl Scouts Diamonds of Arkansas, Oklahoma and Texas	AmeriCorps State	1 1	\$1,566	\$3,950	7
Little Rock	Literacy Action of Central Arkansas VISTA Project Literacy Action of Central Arkansas	AmeriCorps VISTA	1 2	\$11,840	\$32,250	1
Little Rock	Our House, Inc Our House, Inc	AmeriCorps State	1 27	\$76,494	\$181,290	14
Little Rock	Pfeifer Kiwanis Camp Delta Regional Authority	Federal Partnerships	1 2	\$11,630	-	-
Little Rock	RCC- Oklahoma/Arkansas American National Red Cross DC	AmeriCorps National	1 3	\$17,445	\$39,990	-
Little Rock	Rural Local Initiatives Support Corporation	AmeriCorps National	1 1	\$5,815	\$11,439	1
Little Rock	Rural Community Alliance Delta Regional Authority	Federal Partnerships	1 2	\$11,550	-	-
Little Rock	Siena College AmeriCorps*VISTA Fellows Program Siena College	AmeriCorps VISTA	1 1	\$5,815	\$16,654	-
Little Rock	TFA-Arkansas Teach For America	AmeriCorps State	22 60	\$349,320	\$60,000	47
Little Rock	Wildwood Park (January 5, 2019 - Current) Wildwood Park for the Arts	AmeriCorps NCCC		-	-	11
Lonoke	Central Arkansas Planning & Development Delta Regional Authority	Federal Partnerships	1 1	\$5,815	-	-
Lowell	UWNWA 2-1-1 Economic VITAlity United Way of Northwest Arkansas, Inc.	AmeriCorps State	5 13	\$40,705	\$96,810	-
Marianna	Mississippi River State Park (February 14 - March 31, 2018)	AmeriCorps NCCC	1 11	-	-	-
	Arkansas Department of Parks and Tourism - Mississipp River State Park	İ				
Marvell	Boys, Girls, Adults Community Development Center Boys, Girls, Adults Community Development Center	AmeriCorps VISTA	1 1	\$5,815	\$16,654	2
Monticello	AR Smart Start AmeriCorps Tutoring Southeast Arkansas Education Service Cooperative (SEARK)	AmeriCorps State	12 59	\$153,492	\$328,263	43
Monticello	Arkansas AmeriCorps Future Teacher Initative Southeast Arkansas Education Service Cooperative (SEARK)	AmeriCorps State	10 31	\$83,530	\$11,477	26
Monticello	Arkansas Coordinated School Health AmeriCorps Program Southeast Arkansas Education Service Cooperative (SEARK)	AmeriCorps State	9 18	\$52,440	\$120,790	14
Morrilton	Community Service, Inc. Tutoring/Mentoring Program Conway County Community Service, Inc.	AmeriCorps State	5 6	\$13,563	\$34,194	10



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North Little Rock	St. Joseph Center of Arkansas (January 5 - March 31, 2018) St. Joseph Center of Arkansas	AmeriCorps NCCC	1	11	-	-	-
North Little Rock	The Stand Foundation The Stand Foundation	AmeriCorps VISTA	3	15	\$87,960	\$246,107	1
Ozark	Ozark-St.Francis Mt. Adams Institute	AmeriCorps National	1	1	\$5,815	\$11,122	-
Waldron	Ouachita National Forest Mt. Adams Institute	AmeriCorps National	1	1	\$5,815	\$11,122	-
AMERICORPS	STOTAL		169	715	\$2,463,544	\$4,731,326	357
Senior C	corps						
City	Project Name Sponsor Organization	Program Type	Service Co Locations Pa	mpleted rticipants	Education Scholarships	Federal C Funding F	Current Participants
Arkadelphia	Southcentral Arkansas FGP Ouachita Baptist University	Foster Grandparent Program	16	70	-	\$283,689	69
Augusta	ARcare RSVP ARcare	RSVP	-	-	-	-	123
Batesville	Batesville FGP White River Area Agency on Aging	Foster Grandparent Program	19	65	-	\$266,999	60
Conway	State of Arkansas FGP Program Arkansas Department of Human Services/Office of Comms. and Community Engagement	Foster Grandparent Program	-	-	-	-	67
El Dorado	Tri-County RSVP South Arkansas Regional Health Center Inc.	RSVP	9	200	-	\$120,914	150
Fort Smith	WestArk RSVP Western Ark Counseling & Guidance Center	RSVP	-	-	-	-	750
Fort Smith	WestArk RSVP Expansion to Eight Counties Western Ark Counseling & Guidance Center	RSVP	37	1,020	-	\$248,382	-
Gillham	Western Arkansas FGP Dequeen-Mena Educational Coop	Foster Grandparent Program	33	96	-	\$383,962	88
Hot Springs	SCP of West Central Arkansas-Senior Specialists Area Agency on Aging of West Central Arkansas	Senior Companion Program	-	-	-	-	124
Jonesboro	East Arkansas Foster Grandparent Program East Arkansas Area Agency on Aging, Inc. AR	Foster Grandparent Program	11	29	-	\$154,899	34
Little Rock	DHS Foster Grandparent Program Arkansas Department of Human Services/Office of Comms. and Community Engagement	Foster Grandparent Program	16	67	-	\$402,380	-
Monticello	Southeast Arkansas FGP Southeast Arkansas Education Service Cooperative (SEARK)	Foster Grandparent Program	16	116	-	\$427,440	105
North Little Rock	Central Arkansas SCP Central Arkansas Area Agency Aging	Senior Companion Program	1	30	-	\$116,632	28
Russellville	SCP of South West Arkansas Area Agency on Aging of West Central Arkansas	Senior Companion Program	8	115	-	\$628,389	-
Stuttgart	Stuttgart North Arkansas County RSVP Stuttgart Chamber of Commerce	RSVP	20	671	-	\$97,075	458

TOTAL CNCS FUNDING + TOTAL LOCAL PROJECT SUPPORT



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West Memphis	Ms River Delta FGP Save the Children Field Office (AR)	Foster Grandparent Program	1	6	-	\$35,453	9
Wrightsville	Retired and Senior Volunteer Program of Central Arkansas Future Builders	RSVP	34	730	-	\$145,366	-
Wrightsville	RSVP of Central Arkansas Future Builders	RSVP	-	-	-	-	716
SENIOR CORI	PS TOTAL		221	3,215	-	\$3,311,579	2,781
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Little Rock	Arkansas Service Commission	State Commission Investment Funds	-	-	-	\$243,460	-
Little Rock	Arkansas Service Commission	State Commission Operations Support	-	-	-	\$265,000	-
OTHER FUND	ING TOTAL		-	-	-	\$508,460	-
PROGRAM TO	DTALS		390	3,930	\$2,463,544	\$8,551,366	3,138
TOTAL CNCS	FUNDING (including Education Scholarships)					\$	311,014,910
TOTAL LOCAL	PROJECT SUPPORT (Non-CNCS Resources)						\$5,914,765

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